

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-17 are currently pending in this application.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1 and 3-12 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-9 of U.S. Patent No. 6,584,091. A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting rejection. The withdrawal of the obviousness-type double patenting rejection is respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephone interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application, including claims 1-17, is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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